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6 Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South of the Minister for Infrastructure regarding the traffic monitoring undertaken in the vicinity of the Enid Quenault Health and Wellbeing Centre (OQ.184/2023)

Will the Minister indicate what traffic monitoring, if any, will be carried out around the vicinity of the Enid Quenault Health and Wellbeing Centre?

Deputy T. Binet (The Minister for Infrastructure):

As might be expected, traffic modelling based on the services destined for relocation was carried out at the design stage, and traffic levels in the surrounding area of the facility were monitored to inform us of the likely combined traffic flows. Since the centre opened a month ago the site manager has carried out informal monitoring of the traffic movements in the roads leading to the centre and nothing has been reported that gives rise to the need for further monitoring, certainly not at this stage. We are in ongoing discussions with the Roads Committee, as they are responsible for the roads in the immediate vicinity and of course it is they who will need to implement any additional measures going forward.

3.6.1 Deputy T.A. Coles:

Given that the Minister himself would like to see this building being used for 25 years after its current model, surely traffic monitoring of what it is being currently used for would provide better data to indicate whether it is viable in such a densely-located residential area. Does the Minister not agree?

Deputy T. Binet:

No, I do not agree. There are a lot of very busy people in the hospital project; they have kept an eye on things. There is no sign of any difficulty at the moment and we are not planning on any radical changes up there at this point in time. I should imagine if we do develop plans to change it radically then we will monitor accordingly but I do not believe in giving busy people jobs to do that are not necessary.